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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE  
(DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER		
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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known see 37 C.F.R. 1.5)		
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE	EARLIEST PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
PCT/JP02/05666	June 7, 2002	
TITLE OF INVENTION		
FERRULES FOR OPTICAL FIBER CONNECTOR, OPTICAL FIBER CONNECTOR STRUCTURE, AND SLEEVE FOR CONNECTING FERRULES		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US		
Mikio Miyake et al.		

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information by **Express Mail**:

- ☒ 1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- ☐ 2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 37 U.S.C. 371.
- ☒ 3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
- ☒ 4. A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
- ☒ 5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
- ☐ a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
- ☒ b. has been communicated by the International Bureau.
- ☐ c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- ☒ 6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).

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- ☒ 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
- ☐ a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
- ☐ b. have been communicated by the International Bureau.
- ☐ c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
- ☒ d. have not been made and will not be made.
- ☐ 8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
- ☐ 9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
- ☐ 10. An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

**Items 11. to 20. below concern document(s) or information included:**

- ☐ 11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.
- ☐ 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- ☒ 13. A FIRST preliminary amendment.
- ☐ 14. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
- ☐ 15. A substitute specification.
- ☐ 16. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
- ☐ 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 1.821 – 1.825.
- ☐ 18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☐ 19. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☒ 20. Other items or information: A copy of the International Search Report.

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<b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5):</b>					
Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO .....\$1,110.00					
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<b>CLAIMS</b>	<b>NUMBER FILED</b>	<b>NUMBER EXTRA</b>	<b>RATE</b>		
Total claims	25 - 20 =	5	X \$18.00	\$90	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$629	
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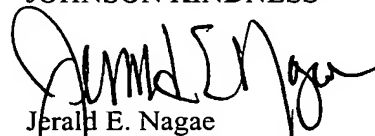
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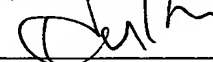
  
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